

FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONER MEETING
November 4, 2020 – 10:00 A.M.
COMMISSIONERS/COUNCIL MEETING ROOM, #203

The Franklin County Commissioners met on November 4, 2020, at 10:00 A.M. in the Commissioners/Council meeting room for a special meeting. Those present were Tom Linkel, Tom Wilson, Faye Hay and Karla Bauman, Auditor.

Open: The meeting was called to order and the pledge of allegiance was led by Tom Linkel.

COVID-19 Health Department Update:

421 cases since March
25 deaths
359 cases recovered
37 active cases being monitored
4 hospitalized

There are no known hotspots in the County.

CARES Act, Town of Brookville Request for Money: The Town of Brookville is requesting from the County a portion of the available Cares Act funds for a new sound system at the Schilling Center. Commissioners discussed the request and what the Town was using their own Cares Act money for. **Motion to deny the request from the Town of Brookville for a portion of the County's CARES Act money by Tom Linkel, seconded by Tom Wilson, all in favor, motion carried.**

CARES Act Reimbursements, FEMA and update: Amy Lindsey, EMA Director presented an update to Commissioners on the status of the various grants she has applied for. A copy of the update is attached to the minutes. This discussion included the removal of the Health Department IT Grant due to Dr. Box stating that restrictions were put in place by the Federal government. Auditor Bauman gave update on the CARES Act funding and that the County is now ready to seek the balance remaining of the \$737,641.00 with the public safety salaries. **Motion to have the auditor complete the paperwork for the reimbursement of public safety salaries under the Cares Act by Tom Linkel, seconded by Tom Wilson, all in favor, motion carried. Motion for the remaining Covid-19 and PPE supplies to be filed with FEMA for reimbursement by Tom Wilson, seconded by Tom Linkel, all in favor, motion carried.** The

FEMA filing will be administered by Amy Lindsey, EMA Director. Auditor Bauman asked where the County was at with a Continuity Plan. Amy Lindsey, EMA Director will follow-up on that.

Claims – November 4, 2020: Motion to approve the November 4, 2020 claims in the amount of \$494,404.15 by Tom Linkel, seconded by Tom Wilson, all in favor, motion carried.

Payroll & Payroll Deductions – November 4, 2020: Motion to approve payroll in the sum of \$190,705.61 and payroll deductions in the sum of \$83,133.71 by Tom Linkel, seconded by Tom Wilson, all in favor, motion carried.

Courthouse Cupola – Campbellsville Industries, Inc.: Commissioners received a quote from Campbellsville Industries, Inc. for a new cupola for the courthouse for \$60,851.00. **Motion to accept the quote received from Campbellsville Industries for a new cupola in the amount of \$60,851.00 by Tom Linkel, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.**

Animal Shelter Volunteers: Commissioners Wilson received notice from three people who were interested in serving as the animal shelter coordinator. Mr. Wilson has chosen Terry Parker to serve as the volunteer animal shelter coordinator.

ADJOURN: Motion to adjourn by Tom Linkel, seconded by Tom Wilson, all in favor, motion carried.

Others in Attendance: Amy Lindsey, Mildred Simmermeyer, Perry Knox, SJCA, R. Teufel, Bridget Hayes, Glenn Bailey, Joe Sizemore

Minutes approved November 17, 2020.

AYES:



Tom Linkel

NAYS:



Tom Linkel



Tom Wilson

Tom Wilson

Gerald Wendel – absent at 11-4-2020 meeting

Attested By: 

Karla J. Bauman, Franklin County Auditor

EMA Grant Update November 4, 2020

All grants are REIMBURSEMENT grants.

CARES Act- The county allocation is being managed by Karla and Derrike. Each town is also managing their own, but does not report to the county. Allocations are as follows:

Brookville town- \$81,693.00

Cedar Grove town- \$4,899.00

Franklin County- \$737,641.00

Laurel town- \$16,157.00

Mount Carmel town- \$2,595.00

Oldenburg town- \$21,283.00

FEMA Public Assistance- We registered for this grant, but have not submitted any receipts since we have plenty of CARES Act money which is much easier to access and does not require the 25% match FEMA requires from the PA grant. We likely will not use this grant and will keep expenses under the CARES Act grant.

ICJI Law Enforcement Grant- \$50, 805.03. As of 10/21, ICJI is waiting on the approved requisition from State Budget.

Health Dept. IT grant- \$84,130.45. According to Dr. Box, all CARES Act grant money has been restricted by federal government. "IT equipment"* no longer allowed by feds. Dr. Box continuing to fight this, but not looking good. **Discrepancy on what is considered "IT equipment" since many counties nationwide have used CARES Act money on laptops and telework equipment.*

COVID Test Site- \$100,000. Grant has been allocated to Franklin Co. EMS to conduct COVID testing free to the public. Budget was submitted by Lynn Rosenberger.

2020 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG)- This provides a portion of funding for Amy's salary. In the past, it was a 50/50 match with county/federal funds, but that was reduced earlier in 2020. The federal grant now pays \$18,000.

2020 State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSP) Supplemental- \$214,170 for county-wide security upgrades. The focus of this grant is providing security updates to county and responder buildings. We can also share this with the schools. We were allocated money for secure election computers for the Clerk's office, laptops for the Sheriff's Dept., law enforcement body substance isolation masks, perimeter security, access control, and building mass notification systems for the various government buildings including the highway dept. and communications tower.

2021 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP)- \$15,000. This is for the LEPC to update the hazmat plan, to provide hazmat training for first responders, and to conduct a small exercise related to hazmat.